Funding will support improvement of local criminal justice system

WASHINGTON – Congresswoman Louise M. Slaughter (NY-28) today announced that the City of Rochester has been awarded a \$207,121 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice through the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG). The program provides grant funding for states and local jurisdictions and supports a wide array of criminal justice functions.

"Rochester is a wonderful, vibrant community and I am pleased to support efforts to enhance citizen safety through additional crime prevention resources," said Slaughter. "These grant funds can be used to support personnel in such wide ranging areas as law enforcement, prosecution and court programs, education and prevention and drug treatment and enforcement. It is my hope that this grant will also encourage the development of new and creative approaches to helping to keep our citizens safe and I will continue to support efforts that work towards this goal."

The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program allows state and local governments to support a broad range of activities and services to prevent and control crime, based on the needs of the recipient community. Slaughter has been a leading supporter of the JAG Program.

Letter of Support for the JAG Program